

COUNCIL ON HUMAN SERVICES

MINUTES

August 12, 2015

COUNCIL

Mark Anderson
Phyllis Hansell
Alexa Heffernan
Guy Richardson
Kim Spading (via phone)
Sam Wallace

EX-OFFICIO LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS

Representative Joel Fry (absent)
Representative Lisa Heddens (absent)
Senator Amanda Ragan (absent)
Senator Mark Segebart (present)

STAFF

Chuck Palmer
Sandy Knudsen
Mikki Stier
Chad Dahm
Jean Slaybaugh
Deb Johnson

Nancy Freudenberg
Amy McCoy
Brenda Freshour-Johnston
Rick Shults
Joe Havig

GUESTS

Sandi Hurtado-Peters, Iowa Department of Management
Kris Bell, Senate Democrat Caucus
Sara Allen, Iowa Hospital Association
Mary Nelle Trefz, Child and Family Policy Center
Roxanne Cogil, Epilepsy Foundation
Tom Cope, Avenson, Oakley and Cope
Catherine Lucey, Associated Press
Clay Masters, Iowa Public Radio
Brianne Pfannensiel, Des Moines Register
Rachele Hjelmaas, Legislative Services Agency
Kevin Kruse, IPMS & ISA
Tom Fey, IPMS

CALL TO ORDER

Mark Anderson, Chair, called the Council meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 2015, at the Hoover State Office Building, 1st Floor Conference Room in Des Moines.

ROLL CALL

All Council members were present. All ex-officio legislative members were absent with the exception of Senator Mark Segebart.

RULES

Nancy Freudenberg, Bureau of Policy Coordination, presented the following rules to Council:

Report of Noticed Actions:

N-1. Amendments to Chapters 24, 25, 78, 79, 83, 88 and 90, Medicaid. Revises which versions for medically-related resource manuals are used within Medicaid as specified by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

N-2. Amendments to Chapters 77 and 80, Medicaid. Updates the credentialing requirements as developed by the National Register of Health Service Psychologists. Also updates which forms are to be used for Medicaid billing purposes.

N-3. Amendments to Chapter 78, Medicaid. Provides for coverage of telehealth services under the Medicaid program.

N-4. Amendments to Chapters 79 and 83, Medicaid. Implements a cost-savings initiative that would cap the monthly cost of all Intellectual Disability waiver services provided to a member at the maximum monthly cost of services to an intermediate care facility for persons with intellectual disabilities.

N-5. Amendments to Chapter 83, Medicaid. Mandates the use of the Supports Intensity Scale developed by the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

N-6. Amendments to Chapters 109 and 170, Child Care. Revises rules regarding child care providers who are currently allowed to operate child care facilities considered "exempt" from DHS licensing because they are administered under contract to the Iowa Department of Education.

A motion was made by Richardson to approve the rules for noticed action and seconded by Hansell. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Heffernan to approve the minutes of July 8, 2015 and July 15, 2015 and seconded by Wallace. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

BUDGET PREPARATION UPDATE

Jean Slaybaugh, Administrator, Division of Fiscal Management, reported on the Department's budget:

- State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2015 is being closed
- Finalizing plans for SFY 2016
- The Council's two-day meeting in September will be to review and make recommendations on the SFY 2017 budget. SFY 2017 is the second year of a two-year budget. The focus will be on State funding, but some federal funding will also be reviewed.

MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM UPDATE

Director Palmer gave a presentation on Iowa's mental health system. The presentation focused on:

- Mental Health and Disability Redesign
- Integrated System:
 - MHDS Redesign
 - Iowa Health and Wellness Plan
 - Medicaid Modernization
- Public Investment
- Service Availability
- Core Services
- Vision moving forward

Mr. Palmer noted there have been big strides in a short period of time and there is more work to do. He commended the individual counties in Iowa that have successfully formed into regions for their work in this process.

MEDICAID MODERNIZATION UPDATE

Mikki Stier, Director, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME), reported on the following:

- IME is undertaking an operational transformation with the shift from a fee-for-service Medicaid program to a managed care program.
- DHS received 11 bids from potential vendors for the Iowa High Quality Health Care Initiative RFP that was issued in February. The awards should be announced next week.
- IME is working on Administrative Rules, the Readiness Review Contract and the External Quality Review Contract (EQRO).
- Reporting requirements and oversight functions are being developed – one oversight function includes the Ombudsman's Task Force Alliance.
- Communications to members, stakeholders and the public is ongoing.

COUNCIL UPDATES

There were no updates to report.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Palmer reported the following:

- A workgroup of stakeholders will be formed to develop recommendations relating to children's mental health services. The workgroup will begin meeting in September.
- DHS in collaboration with the Departments of Corrections and Economic Development will be working with the communities of Clarinda and Mt. Pleasant to review alternatives in regard to the use of facilities.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Council on Human Services will be a two-day budget meeting, September 8-9, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sandy Knudsen
Recording Secretary